

REMARKS:

In the outstanding Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 1-21. Claims 1, 3, 7, 9, 13, 16, 18, 20 and 21 are amended herein, and new claim 22 is added. No new matter is presented. Support for the amendments can be found at least at page 12, lines 9-14; page 12, line 35 to page 13, line 4; page 16, lines 2-4 and page 20, lines 4-10 and FIGS. 2 and 4 of the present application.

Thus, claims 1-22 are pending and under consideration. The rejections are traversed below.

REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 102(e):

Claims 1-21 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,489,954 (Powlette).

Powlette is directed to transferring file data from a local computing system to a remote server by storing an applet window data as an image file and transferring the image file to the remote server. For example, as shown in FIGS. 3A and 3B, an applet window image data (325) is derived from an initial data file (165) to permit a user to interact with the image presented (see also, col. 3, line 62 through col. 4, line 4 and col. 11, lines 1-24). That is, Powlette stores an applet window data as an image file (i.e., a GIF or JPEG formatted file) and transfers the image file to the remote server.

In contrast to Powlette, the present invention enables use of a file among different apparatuses by generating a data part from an original print data in accordance with an execute instruction.

Independent claim 1 recites, "generating a data part from an original print data which is input" and "generating the file which includes various kinds of data." Independent claim 1 further recites that the file includes, "the data part and a data processing part having the data part as a processing target and developed depending on an execute instruction" and "an updating part which updates contents of the file using data modified by the developed data processing part."

Independent claim 3, by way of example also recites, "developing various kinds of data from a file depending on an execute instruction including a data processing part and a data part generated from an original print data and used by the data processing part" and "updating

contents of the file using data modified by the developed data processing part.” Independent claims 7, 9, 13, 16 and 18 also recite similar features.

Powlette does not teach or suggest, “a data part is generated from an original print data” as recited in independent claims 1, 3, 7, 9, 13, 16 and 18 (“generating a data part from an original print data which is input” in claim1).

It is submitted that the independent claims are patentable over Powlette.

For at least the above-mentioned reasons, claims depending from the independent claims are patentably distinguishable over Powlette. The dependent claims are also independently patentable. For example, claim 2 recites that the kinds of data include “auxiliary information [that] indicates a position of the data part at a time of an initial display when the data part is initially displayed...” and “said data processing part displays the data part from the position indicated by the auxiliary information at the time of the initial display” (claims 4, 8, 10, 17 and 19 also recite similar features). Powlette does not teach or suggest these features of dependent claims 2, 4, 8, 10, 17 and 19.

Therefore, withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

NEW CLAIM:

New claim 22 is added to emphasize that the present invention includes, “creating document data of an original file having a predetermined format based on displayed contents during a print execute operation.” This enables use of “the original file across a plurality of apparatuses supporting corresponding formats different from the predetermined format of the original file based on the created document data.”

Powlette is directed to storing an applet window data as an image file, and thus, does not teach or suggest the above-discussed features of claim 22.

Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that new claim 22 is patentably distinguishable over Powlette.

CONCLUSION:

There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.

Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.


Respectfully submitted,

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